

Appl. No. 09/754,264
Amendment and/or Response
Reply to Office Action of November 19, 2004

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a/. lacks at least the anneal sequence set forth in claim 17. As such, claim 17 and the claims that depend therefrom are patentable over the applied art. Allowance is earnestly solicited.

Conclusion

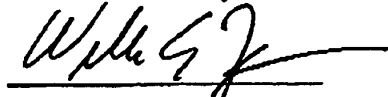
In view of the foregoing, applicant(s) respectfully request(s) that the Examiner withdraw the rejections of record, allow all the pending claims, and find the application to be in condition for allowance.

If any points remain in issue, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below, so that late fees may be avoided.

Petition is hereby made for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) extending the period of response from February 19, 2004 to March 19, 2004. Permission is hereby given to charge Deposit Account Number 50-0238 for the fee required for this extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.17.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and further replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 50-0238 for any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17.

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